

ORDINANCE NO. 024-133

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PILOT
PROGRAM AGREEMENTS WITH
GLOBAL DISPLAY SOLUTIONS, INC.
AND PAPERCAST NORTH AMERICA
FOR DIGITAL BUS STOP SIGN PILOTS
UNDER THE CHICAGO TRANSIT
AUTHORITY'S INNOVATION STUDIO
PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority's ("Authority") Planning and Innovation Department ("Department") seeks to solve some of the Authority's biggest challenges by piloting innovative tools and processes, and on December 13, 2023, the Chicago Transit Board authorized the creation of the Innovation Studio Program (the "Innovation Studio"), per Ordinance No. 023-146; and

WHEREAS, The Innovation Studio enables the Department to establish a dedicated and expedited avenue to quickly assess innovative solutions, incorporate cutting-edge technology, and improve internal processes through pilots, prototypes, and/or proof of concepts ("POCs") in partnership with private industry, nonprofits, or other appropriate organizations; and

WHEREAS, Global Display Solutions, Inc. ("GDS") and Papercast North America ("Papercast") were selected from the submitted proposals to pilot digital bus stop signs in response to the Authority's problem statement asking for solutions for how the Authority can expand real-time arrival and alert signage to bus stops; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has reviewed and verified the proposals in compliance with Ordinance No. 023-146 and recommends that the Board enter into pilot program agreements with GDS and Papercast for a term of one (1) year which require the Authority to pay each party a stipend in the amount of \$55,000.00, for a total funding authorization of \$110,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The agreements require GDS and Papercast to indemnify the Authority, and permit the Authority to terminate the agreements for convenience; and

WHEREAS, GDS and Papercast will each grant the Authority a license to use each party's software, and for any third-party software that GDS or Papercast provides to the Authority, GDS and Papercast will be assigning to the Authority all end user warranties and indemnities relating to such third-party software; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

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SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board and the President of the Authority, or their designees, to enter into pilot program agreements with Global Display Solutions, Inc. and Papercast North America for digital bus stop sign pilots under the Authority's Innovation Studio which require the Authority to pay each party a stipend in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) for a total funding authorization of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00), have a term of one (1) year, and contain such other terms as are substantially in conformance with the Pilot Program Agreement for Services and Supplies with Global Display Solutions, Inc. attached as Exhibit A hereto and the Pilot Program Agreement for Services and Supplies with Papercast North America attached as Exhibit B hereto.

SECTION 2. The Chairman of the Board and the President of the Authority, or their designees, are further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Secretary

October 9, 2024

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